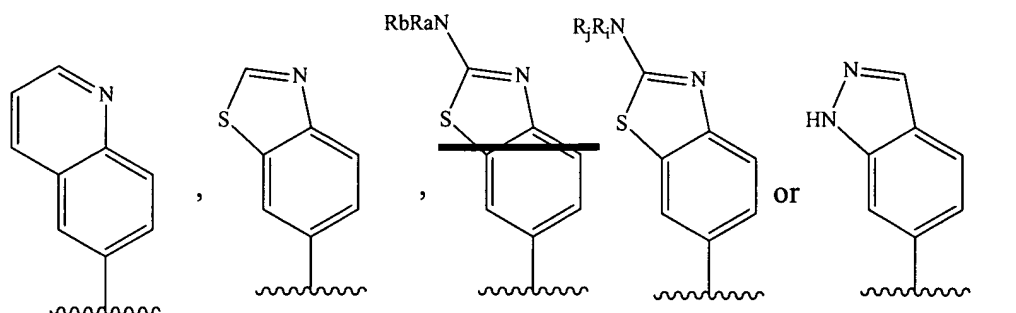


Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Preferred compounds of Formula I are those wherein

A₁ is



wherein \underline{R}_i , \underline{R}_a and \underline{R}_j , \underline{R}_b are independently -H, -C₁₋₆ alkyl, -CO₂-alkyl or -CO₂-CH₂CH₂NH₂,
 -CO-(CH₂)₁₋₄-CO₂H or (CH₂)₁₋₄-CO₂H;